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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Nam Hwi HUR et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1754  
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Application No.: 09/873,240 ) Examiner: Wayne A. Langel  
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Filed: June 5, 2001 )  
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For: METHOD FOR PREPARING )  
MANGANESE-BASED NITRIDE )  
HAVING NEARLY ZERO )  
TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT )  
OF RESISTIVITY )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2003, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.

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